MR. P. KOCHUKRISHNA PILLAI: On the basis of this answer, may I take it that the answer printed is wrong?

MR. K. K. KARTHA: Government are aware of the necessity.

MR. P. KOCHUKRISHNA PILLAI: So, am I to take it that the honourable member who is in charge of the Department was all along answering without understanding the question?

MR. K. K. KARTHA: The question is not clear.

MR. P. KOCHUKRISHNA PILLAI: Am I to take it that the answers given on one occasion "Yes" and on another occasion "No" were without understanding the question? Are we to take it that the honourable member in charge of the Department who now represents Government in this House is not aware of the real state of affairs?

PRESIDENT: That is rather uncharitable. The Chief Engineer has gone to attend the All-India Road Congress which has been fixed by the Government of India without reference to the sittings of this Legislature. The All-India Road Congress is meeting at Jaipur today and therefore the Chief Engineer could not be present here. So, if Mr. Kartha gives an answer, that is on his own information or inference. If further questions are asked on the next occasion when he is present then those questions will be answered by the Chief Engineer.

Deepening of the Commercial Canal and the Vadai Canal at Alleppey.

542. *MR. G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertalai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount sanctioned in 1120 for the deepening of the Commercial Canal and the Vadai Canal at Alleppey in Ambalapuzha taluk;

(*b*) the amount actually spent on the above account in the year;

(*c*) whether they are aware that easy traffic of loaded vallams in the canal was often rendered difficult due to insufficient depth of water; and

(*d*) whether arrangements were made for the regular deepening of the canals from one end to the other?

MR. K. K. KARTHA: (*a*) Rs. 3,590 for Commercial Canal and Rs. 5,250 for Vadai Canal.

(*b*) Rs. 973 for Commercial Canal and Rs. 3,731 for Vadai Canal up to the end of 10/1120.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) No.

MR. G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: സർ, ആലപ്പുഴയെപ്പോലെയുള്ള ഒരു വ്യവസായികനഗരത്തിന്റെ വ്യവസായപുരോഗതിക്ക് ഈ തോട്ടുകൾ സഞ്ചാരയോഗ്യമാക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്ന ഗവണ്മെന്റിനു ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

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MR. K. K. KARTHA : ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ട്.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : ചേർത്തല താലൂക്കിൽ കഴിഞ്ഞ അഞ്ചു കൊല്ലങ്ങളായി യാതൊരു റോഡും വെട്ടാതിരിക്കുന്നതിനും അതിനുള്ള പണം സാങ്ഷൻ ചെയ്യാതിരിക്കുന്നതിനും വല്ല കാരണവുമുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. K. KARTHA: ചേർത്തലയിൽ പല റോഡുകളും തോടുകളും റിവിഷ്വക്കിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. മറ്റുള്ള താലൂക്കുകളെ അപേക്ഷിച്ചു കൂടുതൽ റോഡുകൾ അവിടെ ഇതുസംബന്ധിച്ചു വെട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു കാണാം. എന്നാൽ പി. ഡബ്ളിയു. ഡി. കമ്മറി സെലക്ഷൻ ചെയ്ത കൂട്ടത്തിൽ ഈ റോഡുകൾ ഒന്നും വന്നില്ല.

New roads in Shertalai taluk.

543. * MR. P. S. MOHAMED (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the number of new roads sanctioned in Shertalai taluk in the years 1119 and 1120 till now (Mithunam 1120) and the progress of the roads sanctioned as mentioned above?

MR. K. K. KARTHA : None.

Conversion of the Shoranur Canal poramboke to a cartable road.

544. *MR. G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any representation for the conversion of the Shoranur Canal poramboke in Ariad South pakuthi, Ambalapuzha taluk to a cartable road ;

(*b*) whether any investigation has been made on the proposal ;

(*c*) whether they are convinced that such a road is essential for the locality ;

(*d*) the length of the road ; and

(*e*) the approximate cost for the work ?

MR. K. K. KARTHA : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Preliminary investigation for a distance of 6012 Rft. has been conducted.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) 8320 Rft.

(*e*) Can be given only after full investigation.

Kothanallur Kuruppamthara road.

545. * MR. K. VARGHESE ITHAC (*Vaikom cum Kottayam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any representations for taking up the Kothanallur Kuruppamthara ryot road in the Kottayam P. W. D. Division ; and

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